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1. No Soviet army personnel were seen either in trains or in railroad stations in western Slovakia as late as 27 February, nor were any Soviet military shipments observed. Conversations with civilian travelers gave no indications of the presence of Soviet troops in Slovakia.
2. Only Czech military personnel were observed in barracks installations at the airfield north of Piestany on 16 February. [redacted] no Soviet troops, 25X1 military vehicles or civilian buildings occupied by troops, and no construction of barracks installations.
3. A caserne on Stefanikova Street near the railroad station in Trencin was occupied by Czech troops on 23 February. All military personnel observed in the billeting area and in the town wore Czech uniforms. The sentry at the caserne spoke Slovak. No construction of barracks or of civilian buildings by military personnel was noticed in Trencin.
4. The military installations on the southwest perimeter of Zilina on the road to Zavolie were observed on 27 February to be guarded by a sentry wearing a Czech uniform. No Soviet troops or military vehicles were observed in Zilina, nor were any new military installations noticed to be under construction.

Comment: This report indicates that no Soviet troops were stationed in western Slovakia and thus confirms the assumption of mid-February that no Soviet divisions arrived in the Trencin-Piestany-Zilina-Banska Bystrica area.

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